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SUBJ: LARG REQUEST FOR PL 480 TITLE I PROGRAM

1. ON MAY 21, YARG FOREIGN MINISTRY, FOLLOWING INFORMAL REPRESENTATIONS TO AMBASSADOR AND USAID DIRECTOR RUIZ, SENT EMBASSY DIPLOMATIC NOTE INQUIRING INTO POSSIBILITIES FOR A PL 480 TITLE II PROGRAM FOR YAR. FONMIN NOTE CONTAINS ASSURANCE THAT PROGRAM WOULD NOT AFFECT NORMAL MARKET CONDITIONS.

2. SUBSEQUENT EMBASSY CONTACTS WITH FONMIN HAVE NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL FELICITING APPROXIMATE YEARLY AMOUNT DESIRED,  
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ALTHOUGH IT WAS POINTED OUT TO FONMIN UNDER SECRETARY THAT WE WOULD

NEED AT LEAST APPROXIMATE FIGURE IN ORDER TO OBTAIN USG AGREEMENT "IN PRINCIPL".

3. RECENT FURTHER CONTACT WITH MINSUPPLY TO OBTAIN DATA ON TRADITIONHL EXPORTECU TO YAR SUGGESTS, HOWEVER, THAT REQUESTED PROGRAM WOULD BE IN NEIGHBORHOOD 50,000 TO 100,000 METRIC TONS, MOST LIKELY TOWARDS LOWER END THIS RANGE.

4. EMBASSY AND USAID BELIEVE THAT TITLE I PROGRAM WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO YAR. IN PARTICULAR IT COULD BE USED TO FINANCE STRONG LOCAL DEMAND FWR SELF-HELP PROJECTS THROUGH CONFEDERATION OF YEMENI DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS. SINCE WHEAT CAN BE SOLD, IT WOULD BE A GOOD VEHICLE FOR ASSISTANCE TO MANY CAPITAL STARVED SELF-HELP PROJECTS. FURTHERMORE IT WOULD GREATLY HELP TO STABILIZE LARGE FLUCTUATIONS IN LOCAL MARKET DUE TO INABILITY INEXPERIENCED YARG TO PLAY WORLD MARKETS SUCCESSFULLY. WE BELIEVE THAT PRESENT REGIME, WHICH IS DETERMINED TO DISTRIBUTE FOOD AID FAIRLY AND WITH MAXIMUM SELF-HELP BENEFIT, WOULD BE WILLING AND ABLE TO MANAGE PROGRAM SUCCESSFULLY.

5. IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT USUAL MARKETING REQUIREMENTS WOULD PRESENT ANY GREAT PROBLE. YAR HAS TENDED TO JUMP FROM ONE SUPPLIER TO ANOTHER IN HOPE OF ABETTER DEAL. SOVIET UNION WAS LARGEST SUPPLIER THIS PAST YEAR. AUSTRALIA IN PAST SUPPLIED WHEAT ON RELATIVELY REGULAR BASIS TO YAR BUT HAS NOT DONE SO FOR OVER TWO YEARS. CANADA AND ARGENTINA HAVE BEEN PURELY SPORADIC SUPPLIERS.

6. REQUEST INITIAL USAID/W REACTION TO THIS REQUEST.  
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